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2008 RTP Lessons Learned & Policy Choices

Plans and Programs
Technical Advisory Committee
August 16th, 2007

2008 RTP/EIR Timelines*

Date	Action/Activities
June 21, 2007 July 25, 2007 July 31, 2007	SCAG P&P TAC Meeting (Scenario development) SCAG Modeling Taskforce (Scenario development and 4-D modeling efforts) SCAG P&P TAC Meeting (Scenario development and 4-D modeling efforts)
August 16, 2007	SCAG P&P TAC Meeting Discuss and update of the development of RTP growth scenarios/4-D Modeling
August 27, 2007	SCAG P&P TAC Meeting P&P TAC review the range of alternatives and their policy implications
August 30, 2007	SCAG CEHD/ Regional Council CEHD: Info Item: RTP Growth Forecasts: Land Use Scenarios and Policy Implications Action Item: Discuss policy implications, direct staff to develop 2007 RTP/EIR land use scenarios <u>Policy Committee workshop to discuss RTP policy issues including, growth, finance and improvement alternatives</u>
September 20, 2007	SCAG P&P TAC Meeting Policy Committees RTP/RCP Workshop Discussion of preferred Growth Scenario and other components of the plan including funding, capital improvements etc.
October 4, 2007	SCAG CEHD/ Regional Council (RTP/Growth Forecast workshops)
October 18, 2007	SCAG P&P TAC Meeting Policy Committees RTP Workshops Draft RTP /preferred growth forecast
November 1, 2007	SCAG CEHD/ Regional Council Release Draft RTP /growth forecast for Public review and comments
November 15, 2007	SCAG P&P TAC Meeting
December 6, 2007	SCAG EEC / Regional Council Release Draft PEIR for comments
December 20, 2007 January 3, 2008 January 17, 2008 February 7, 2008	SCAG P&P TAC Meeting SCAG CEHD/ Regional Council SCAG P&P TAC Meeting SCAG CEHD/ Regional Council Adoption of 2008 RTP

* Subject to changes due to program and RTP/EIR requirements.



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Four Alternatives for the 2008 RTP/EIR

- 2035 baseline (Technical forecasts at county/regional level presented to P&P TAC in March 2006. Sub-county distributions are derived from 2007 Integrated Growth Forecast workshops and local input process)
- 2004 RTP Update (Technical forecasts at county/ regional level presented to P&P TAC in March 2006. Sub-county distributions are consistent from the 2004 RTP GV/Plan distribution)
- 2008 RTP GV-2% land use scenario
- More aggressive GV-2% land use scenario



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Four GV components/strategies in Alternatives 3 and 4:

- Existing and planned transit stations and Transit Oriented Development
- Employment centers
- Intersection between TOD and centers
- Inter-county job/housing balance

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Compass 2% Land Use Strategies

- Voluntary for subregions and local jurisdictions
- Local vision and land use strategies are accommodated, incorporated in the baseline, adjusted through updates of growth forecast
- Use local input before 2015
- ✓ Identify 2% opportunity areas from regional perspective, *does not* mean SCAG present a better vision
- ✓ Focus on basis of 2% growth opportunity areas: TOD stations/Centers and their interactions
- ✓ Emphasis on designs/development types/ diversity, and policies rather than numbers

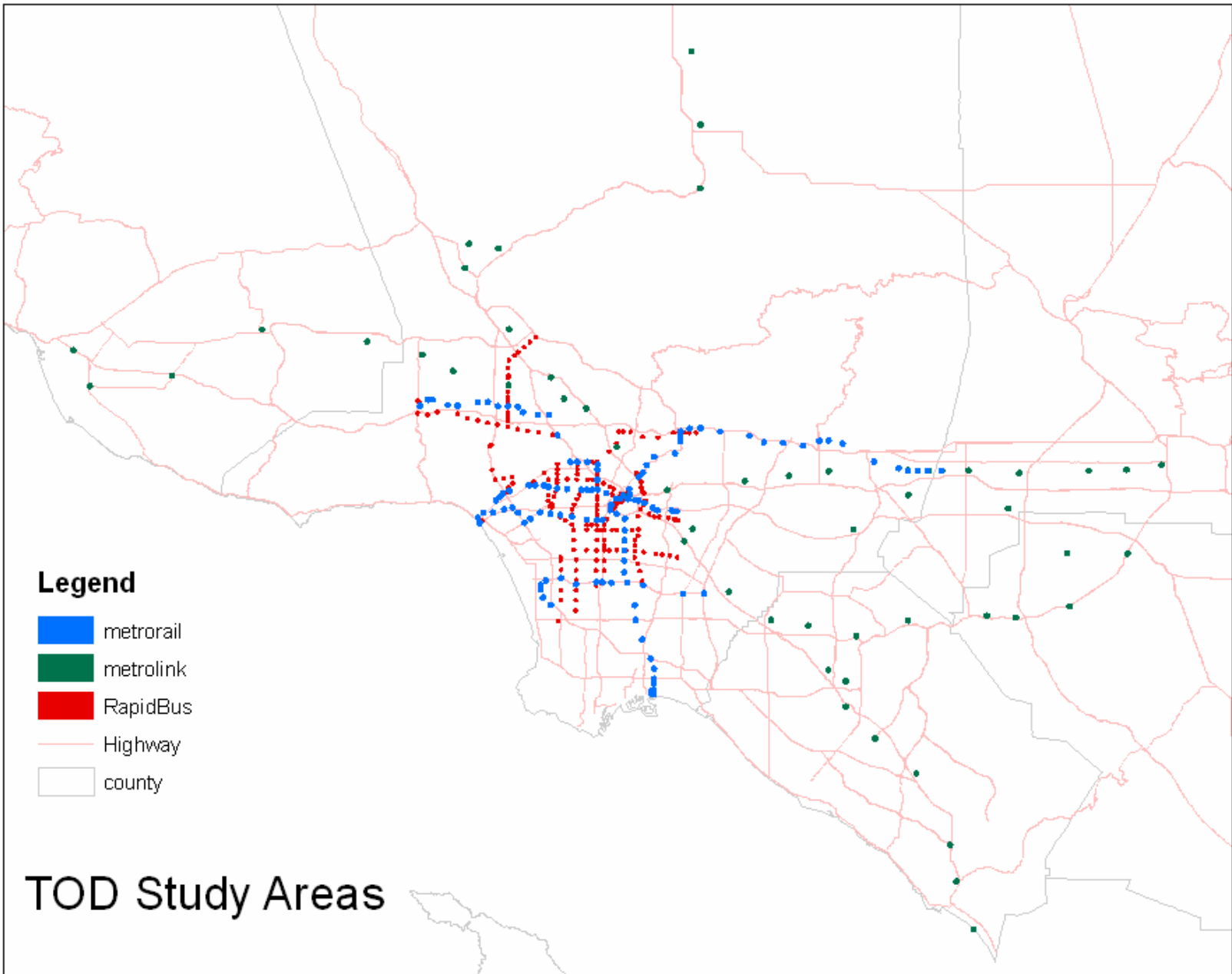
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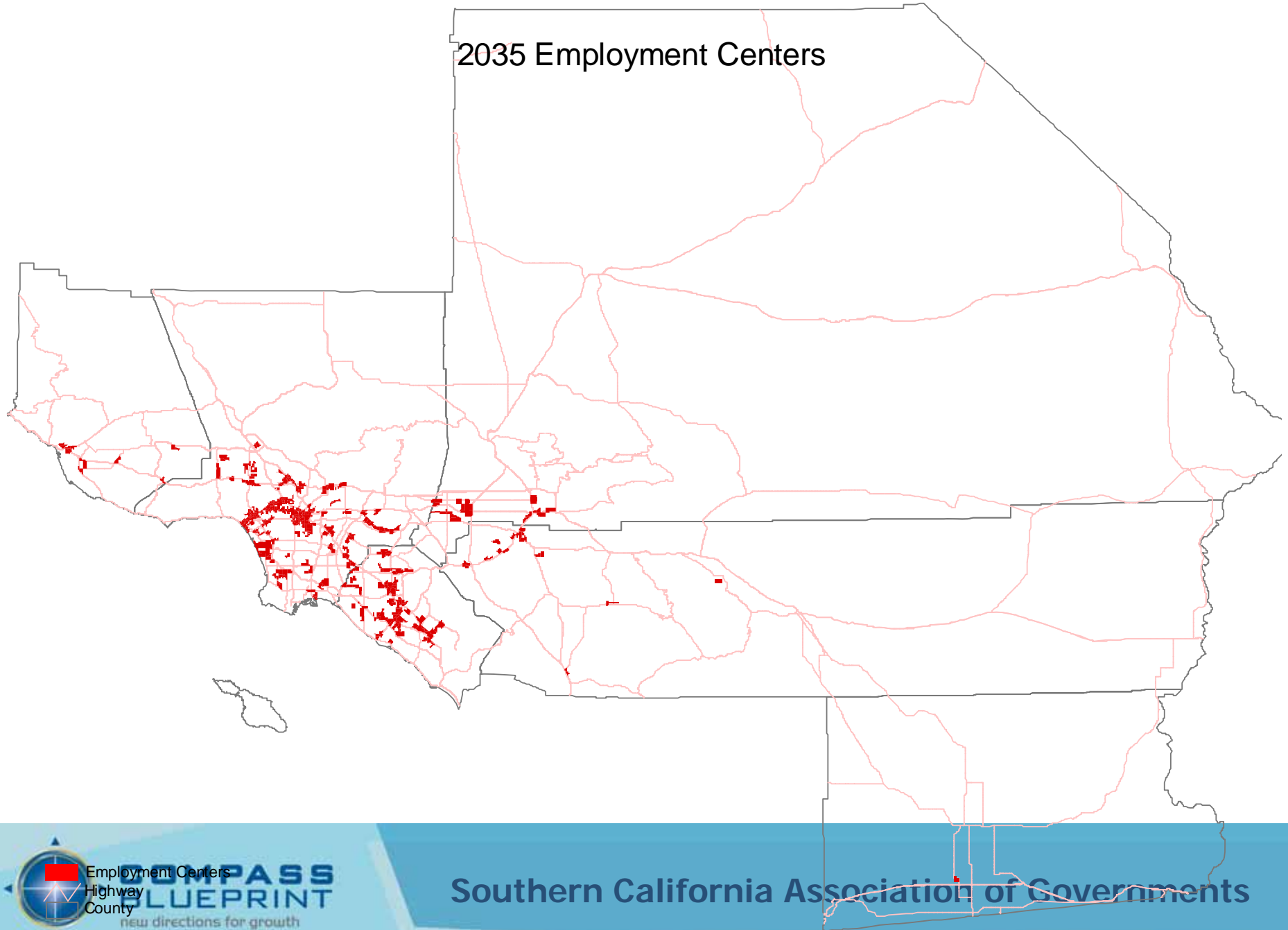
- ✓ Delineate the places and demonstrate sound technical analysis from regional perspective to ensure wide support throughout the region
- ✓ Overcome recent challenges about negative traffic impacts from high density development around TOD/Centers
- ✓ Fixed 2% opportunity locations/places are easier to track development trends and monitor progress, and attach regional policy instruments



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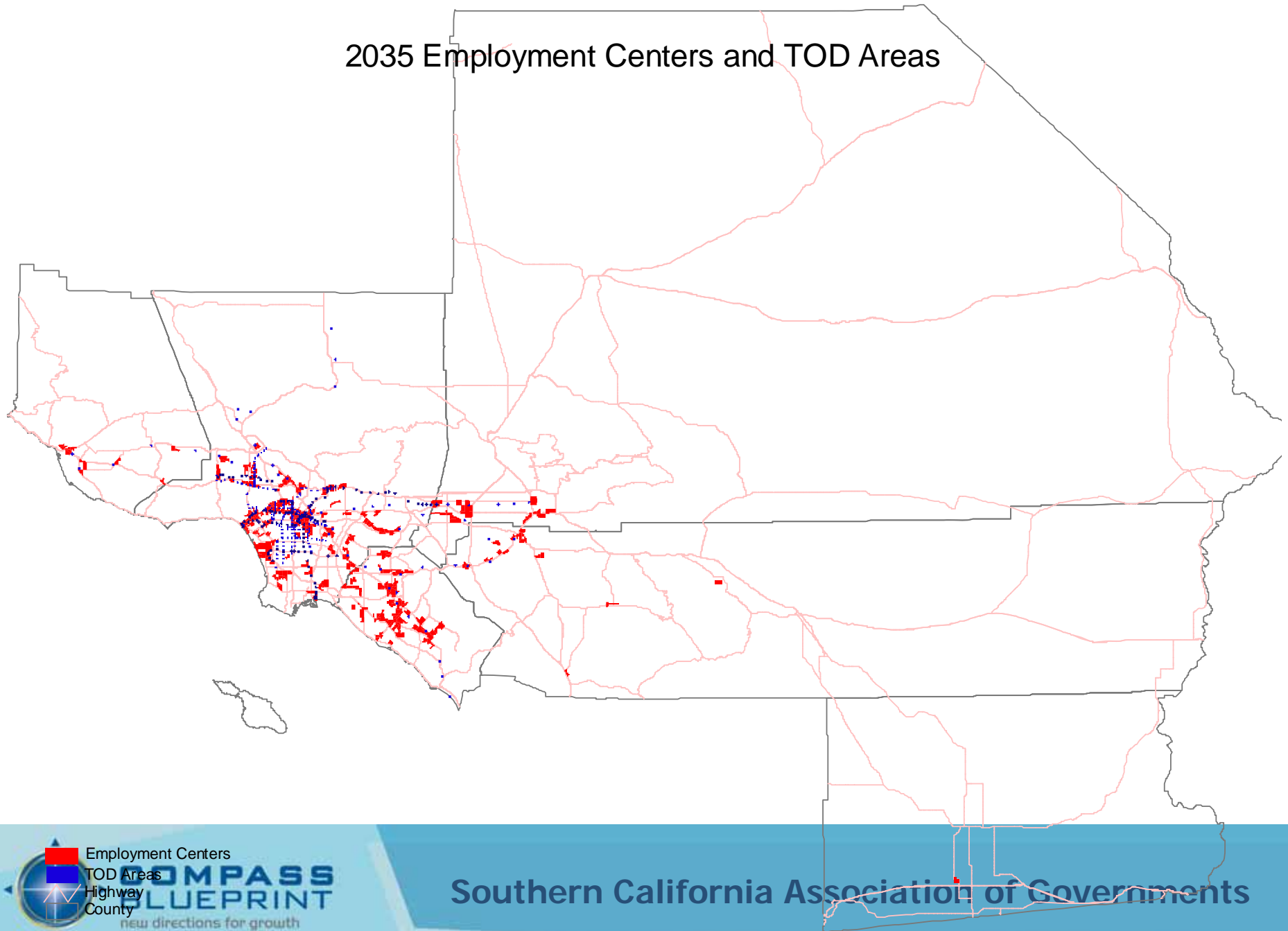


2035 Employment Centers



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2035 Employment Centers and TOD Areas



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Test Scenarios

Major Differences

1. Baseline

Outward growth trends

2. 2004 RTP

Outward growth and focus on Centers and Corridors

3. Workshop

Subregional Input – General Plans

4. Envision

Heavy reliance on Centers and Transit

Envision Scenario

**Focused on development of
specific sites in 2% area:**

Employment Centers

Transit Oriented Development

Jobs/Housing Balance

Envision “What If? Scenarios

What if:

1. Growth was focused into transit station areas and major transit centers?
2. Growth was focused into major employment centers?
3. Growth was focused away from areas with long commute times

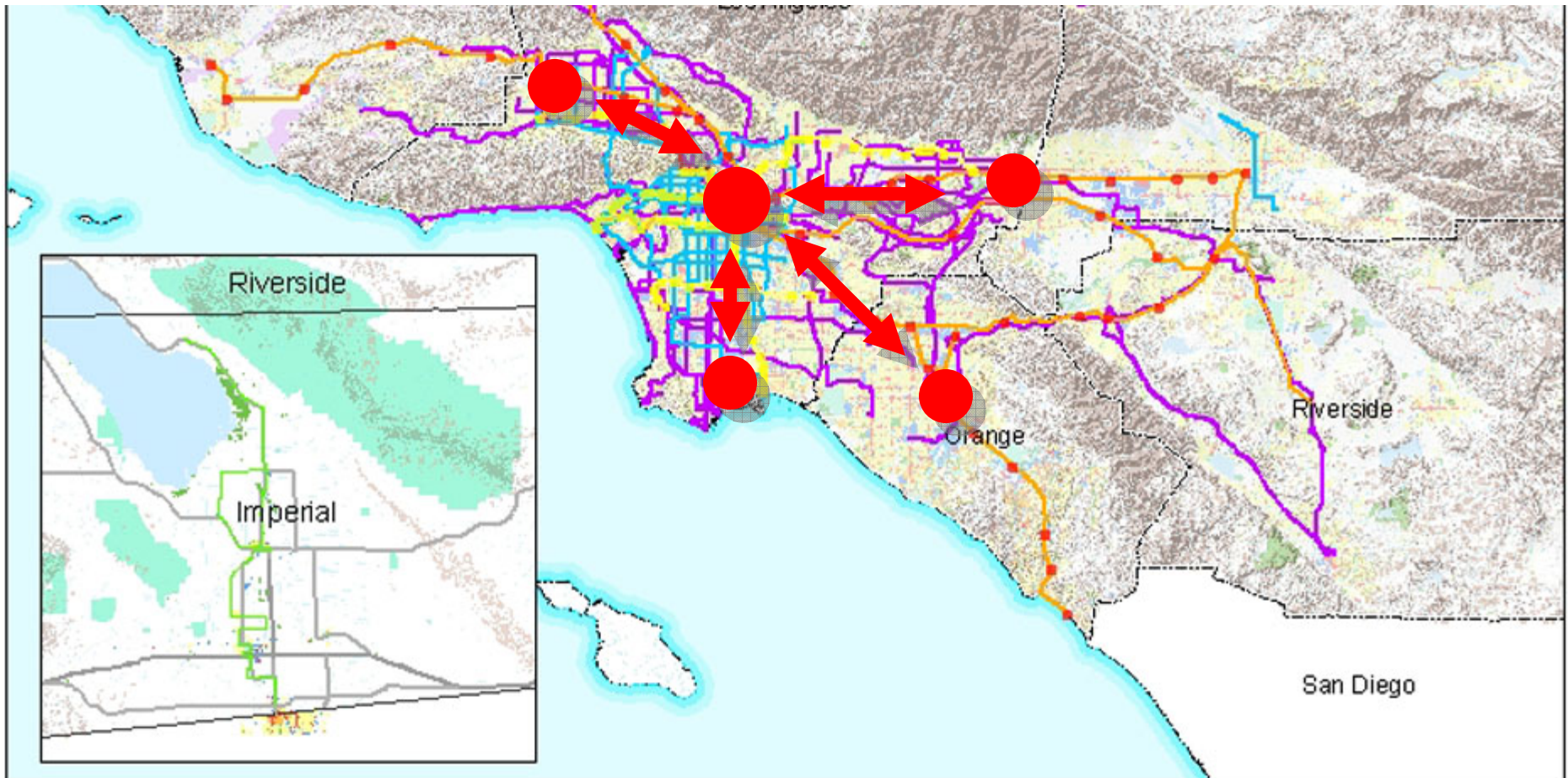
Envision “What If? Scenarios

What if there was:

1. Less new single family housing and more mixed use housing
2. Low or no growth in stable single family areas
3. Less dense development in outlying areas
4. Less very high density development types in non-transit areas

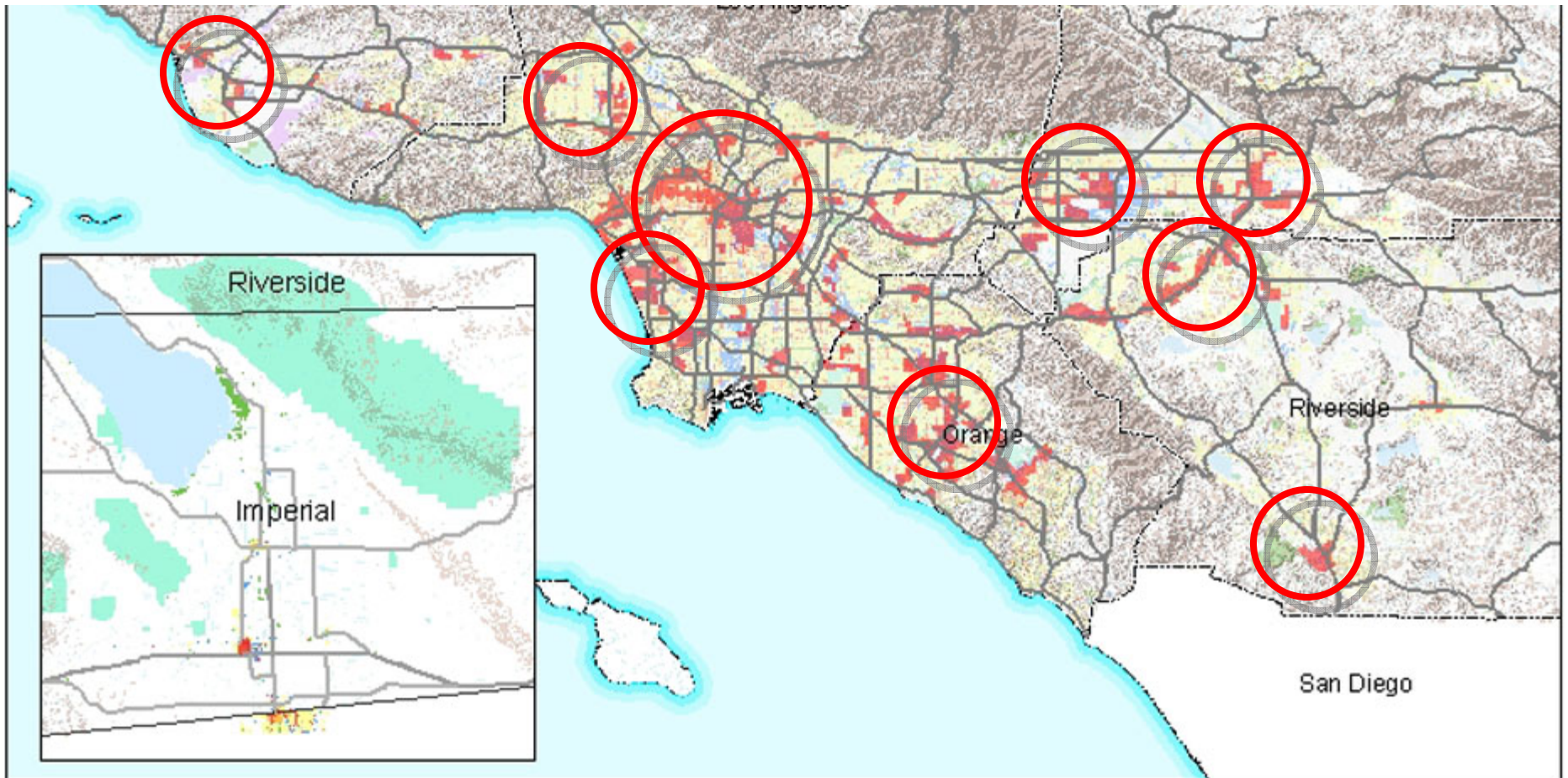
Regional Transit

Focus growth into transit station areas and major transit centers



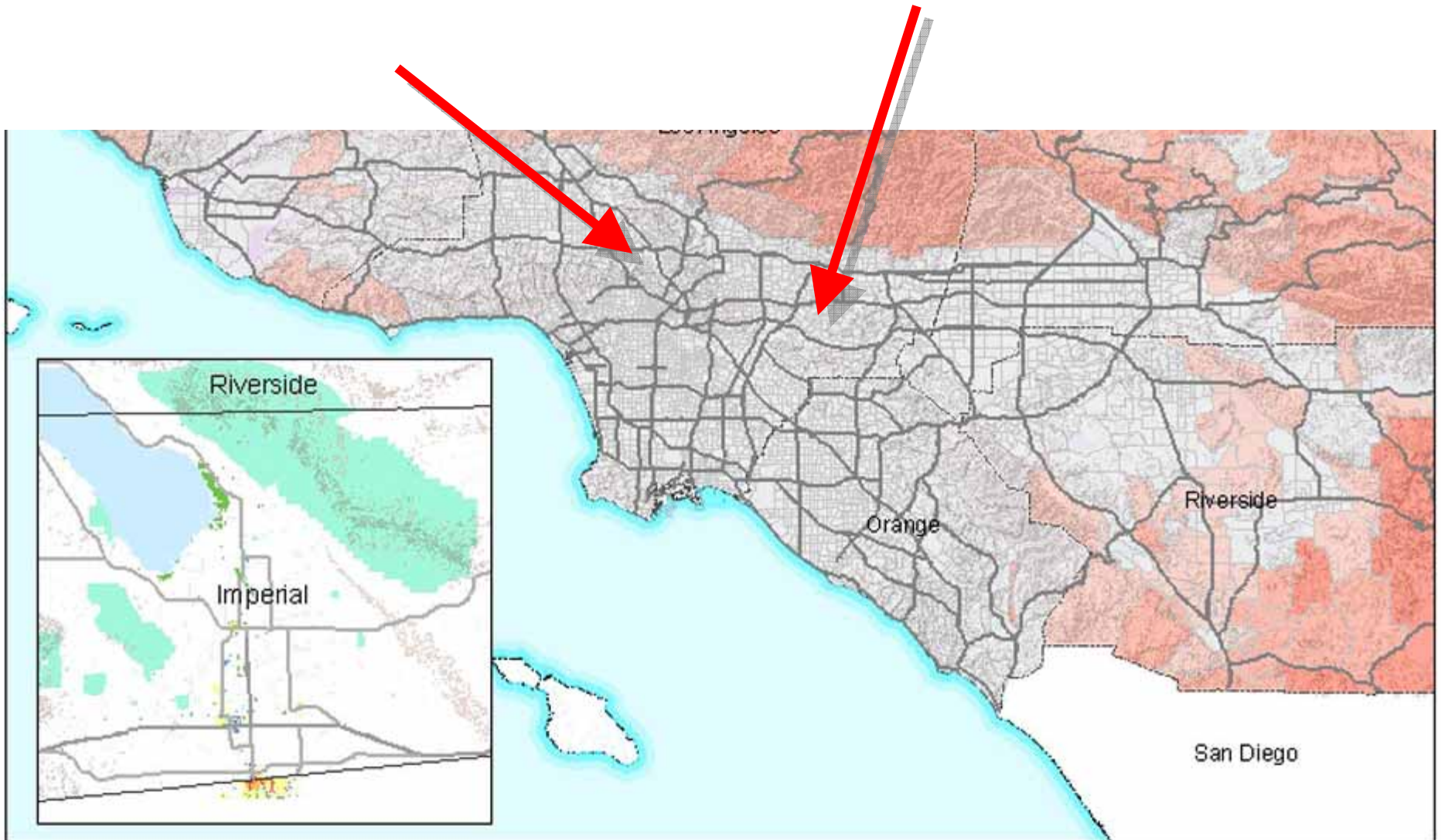
Regional Employment Zones

Focus employment into major employment centers

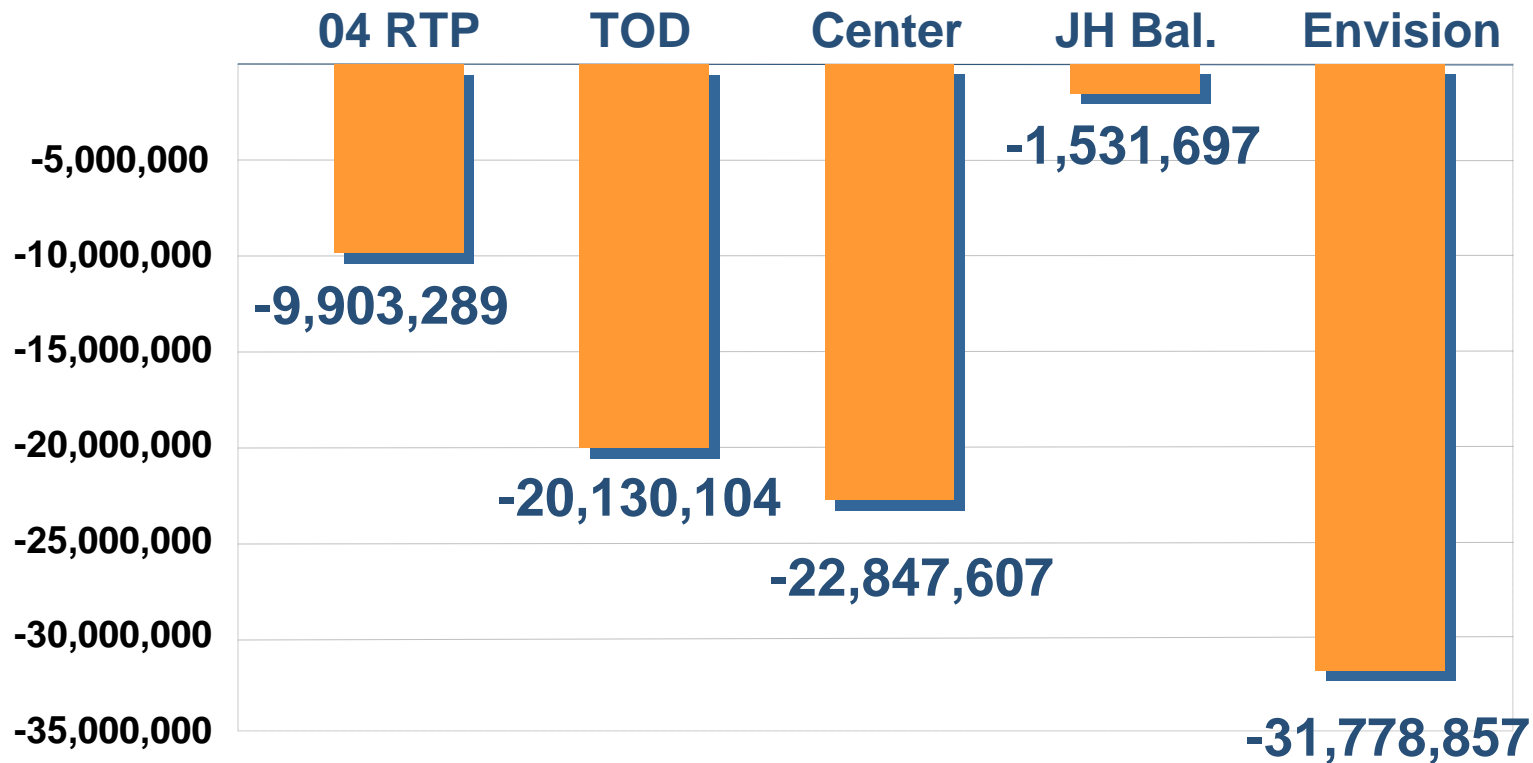


Regional Commute Times

Focus growth away from areas with long commute times



VMT Changes from Baseline



Lessons Learned

The modeling of “Envision” policy options demonstrates that they alone, and together, have great potential to improve RTP performance goals.

Lessons Learned

Local actions add up – Good or Bad

Regional guidance is needed

**Solutions need to be regional and rely
on local actions**

Discussion



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